

Northeast Legal Aid announces the opening of its new Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)

Our Taxpayer Clinic assists low-income taxpayers who have controversy with the IRS. We provide assistance to individuals that have been notified by the IRS that they owe taxes, are under audit, have filed a petition with the U.S. Tax Court and individuals who need help in obtaining other relief for a tax obligation or IRS collections. We do not generally assist in tax return preparation.

Our purpose is to ensure fairness and integrity of the tax system by:

- Providing pro bono representation to low-income taxpayers before the IRS in controversy with the IRS and before federal courts in matters of tax litigation;
- Conducting outreach and education to taxpayers about their tax rights and responsibilities; and
- Identifying and advocating for issues that impact low-income taxpayers.

We seek attorneys (those new to the bar as well as experienced tax attorneys), Certified Public Accountants and Enrolled Agents to volunteer with this project. Group trainings for low income individuals on tax preparation, tax rights and responsibilities are available upon request. In addition, please refer potential clients with tax controversies with the contact information below:

Contact information for the clinic:

Northeast Legal Aid's Intake Line: 978-458-1465

Online Legal Intake: https://www.northeastlegalaid.org/get-legal-help

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